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Please amend the specification by adding the following claims:

49. (New) An isolated nucleic acid comprising a nucleotide sequence which encodes an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID No. 17 or fragment thereof which binds *ptc*.

50. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of claim 49, wherein the fragment includes at least 25 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID No. 17.

51. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 49, wherein the fragment is an N-terminal fragment having a molecular weight of about 19 kD.